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Official Newsletter of the Campbelltown District Family History Society.

Website: www.cdfhs.org.au

Campbelltown District Family History Society

ABN 88 944 738 687

Meetings held on the First
Saturday of each month
(except January)

Place: In the Meeting Room,
Campbelltown
Library.

Time: 1.30 pm

ALL WELCOME

Annual Membership
Subscriptions:

Single.....\$20

Couple.....\$30

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Campbelltown District FHS Inc Meetings and Events

December, 2021

Saturday 4th December.

Christmas Party.

Location: Glenalvon. 12 Noon.

February, 2022

Saturday 5th February.

Location: Glenalvon. 1.30pm.

AGM.

Speaker and topic to be advised.

March, 2022

Saturday 5th March.

Location: To be advised. 1.30pm.

Speaker and topic to be advised.

Events up to March 2022 may be
cancelled, but we will advise.

Denise's Social Column

There are no Social column comments at the moment.

Regards

Denise Baxter
Social Secretary.
social@cdfhs.org.au

December 2021 Christmas Party

Saturday 4th December 2021.

Time: 12 Noon – 3.30 pm.

At: Glenalvon – 8 Lithgow St,
Campbelltown.

Food followed by Trivia and some games.

Bring something for yourselves to eat, if you wish - there are no barbeque facilities. CDFHS will provide some food, (party pies, sandwiches, etc).

We will run a raffle, with 3 prizes. Normal costs for the raffle tickets - 5 tickets for \$2 or 2 tickets for \$1.

This will be a **Covid Safe Event** and we will be following relevant requirements. Only fully vaccinated people, and you will be required to sign in, either by QR code or manually on an attendance form. Social distancing will be required.

If you wish to attend, you will be required to RSVP to Pam Shea, by Wednesday 1st December 2021. Email: secretary@cdfhs.org.au or Phone: 02 46211321.

Researching in the Family History Room

Research has been delayed in the Family History Room, in the library. Opening up will depend on lockdowns.

Websites of Interest

* FamilySearch - Help Center - Learning Center
<https://www.familysearch.org/en/help/help-center/learning-center>
Hundreds of free online genealogy courses. Enter a keyword in the search box to see a list of lessons for that topic.

* Researching Your Dutch Ancestors - An Introduction
<https://geneaknowhow.net/faq/ResearchingYourDutchAncestors.pdf>
A PDF file to assist in your Dutch research.

* The National Archives | Palaeography tutorial (how to read old handwriting)
<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/palaeography/>
United Kingdom. An online tutorial for reading English handwriting appearing in records from 1500 to 1800. Provides tips on how to read old handwriting. Includes interactive tutorials providing practice in reading scanned documents while giving real-time feedback on your accuracy.

CDFHS Blog

<https://cdfhsinc.blogspot.com/>

A blog titled: They lived in Campbelltown..

Research Officers

The society has two research officers who are available to help members and their friends with the research that they are undertaking.

Please contact our research officers at:
research@cdfhs.org.au

Ancestry.com

Ancestry.com is available from your home computers, until **31st December 2021**. After that date it will be available for free at the Library.

Find My Past was available from home computers, but that has been discontinued from mid-November 2021. FMP is still available for free at Campbelltown library.

New and Updated Ancestry.com Databases

Following is a list of databases included or updated onto Ancestry.com over the last month, available at the Campbelltown Library. 33,097 databases in total.

- * International Patents, 1890-2020; Convict, Criminal, Land & Wills. [123,300,671 records].
- * Scotland, Select Births and Baptisms, 1564-1950; Birth, Marriage & Death. [27,121,897 records].
- * Scotland, Select Marriages, 1561-1910; Birth, Marriage & Death. [4,298,852 records].
- * Caribbean, Obituary Index, 2003-2019; Birth, Marriage & Death. [97,330 records].
- * Australia and New Zealand, Obituary Index, 2004-Current; Birth, Marriage & Death. [2,017,735 records].
- * Canada, Obituary Collection, 1898-Current; Birth, Marriage & Death. [9,641,386 records].
- * UK and Ireland, Obituary Index, 2004-2019; Birth, Marriage & Death. [6,561,353 records].
- * U.S., Obituary Collection, 1930-Current; Birth, Marriage & Death. [193,372,654 records].
- * Australia, Army Militia Service Records, 1901-1940; Military. [67,781 records].
- * U.S., Cemetery and Funeral Home Collection, 1847-Current; Birth, Marriage & Death. [93,979,767 records].
- * Washington D. C., U.S., Military Naturalization Petitions, 1918-1924; Military. [6,517 records].
- * Nevada, U.S., Naturalization Petitions, 1956-1991; Immigration & Travel. [16,743 records].
- * Washington, D.C., U.S., Wills and Probate Records, 1737-1952; Convict, Criminal, Land & Wills. [128,591 records].
- * Puebla, Mexico, Catholic Church Records, 1545-1970 (in Spanish); Birth, Marriage & Death. [14,627,153 records].
- * New Hampshire, U.S., Wills and Probate Records, 1643-1982; Convict, Criminal, Land & Wills. [594,127 records].

Find My Past

Following are some new and updated records available on FindMyPast.

- * Indian Army Service Records, 1900-1947
<https://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-records/indian-army-records-of-service-1900-1947>
 These newly-released Indian Army records of service store detailed information for more than 12,000 military officers throughout the wars. From captains to conductors, colonels to cooks, these documents provide invaluable insights into the lives of those that served.
- * United States Obituaries Notices
<https://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-records/united-states-obituary-notice>
 This expansive record collection doesn't just extend across all 50 states, but also includes the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. We've added over 22 million records to this collection alone, meaning there are now over 56 million notices in total. These provide the necessary details to track down an ancestor's death and a full obituary, if one was released.
- * Index to Death Duty Registers, 1796-1903
<https://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-records/index-to-death-duty-registers-1796-1903>
 Discover your English and Welsh ancestors who left estates that incurred an inheritance tax.
- * Newspapers
<https://search.findmypast.co.uk/search/british-newspapers>
 Gathered from one of the largest collections in the United Kingdom, our British newspapers include thousands of local and regional publications across the England, Wales, and Scotland. Each page has been completely digitized and fully indexed, offering you the ability to search every word within an article. To see a full list of newspaper titles included, select "By Newspapers" from the filters. Additional newspapers will be added to the collection over time.
- * FindMyPast – What's New
<https://www.findmypast.co.uk/blog/new>
 From new releases each week on Findmypast Friday to site feature updates and company happenings, keep on top of the very latest genealogy news and events from Findmypast.

Ghostbuster Magazine

March 2022 Issue

Topic: "The research I did during lockdown and what I found".

Maximum 600 words. Plus a picture if you have one.

Submission Date by: Saturday 5th February 2022.

Extra item for the magazine: "Unidentified Photographs".

Courses and Workshops for 2022

We do now anticipate being able to hold several courses during 2022. Probable courses will be:

- * Beginners
- * DNA
- * Brick Walls

Details are to be advised.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL.
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Please watch our website for more information on these.

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